

6. The immortal bearer (of the oblation), the conYeyer (of content to the gods), beholds the seven rivers₃ — full as a well, he has satisfied the divine streams.
7. Protect us, manly *Soma*, in the days of sacrifice;¹ purifier, destroy those powers of darkness against which we must contend.
8. Quickly speed on the road for our new praise-worthy hymn ; as of old display thy radiance.
9. Purifier (*Soma*) thou grantest us abundant food with male offspring, and cattle and horses; give us- understanding, give us all (we desire).

X. (X.)

Jtis:iL deity, and metre as before..

10. -Longing for food the *Soma-ju.ices*,₇ uttering a sound like chariots or like horses, have come for the sake of riches.³
11. Coming like chariots (to the sacrifice), they are upheld in the arms (of the priests) as burdens (in the arms) of labourers.
12. The libations are anointed with milk as kings

a explains *kalpesltu* as *J:u?jia/<t!/tsJa*-ahahsu*,
 "in the days which have to be reckoned." TKe Sc.
 Petersb. Diet, takes
 it as "In our rites."

² Sitma Veda, II. 4. 2. 1. 4-6.

¹ Syr.iTui takes *sravawarah* as an epithet of
Soinclttth, ^ desiring
to seize food from their enemies;" it should
rather be taken.
TcrJi s/vrafo/j, and be traiifrhitud "or like glory-
seeking steeds*"